State Fair Edition



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Newsletter for Grant County 4-H August 2015



DATES TO REMEMBER

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August 17	CDM Judging Practice Session @ 10 AM
August 17	4-H Leaders Meeting at 5:30 PM—Courthouse
August 18-21	Sara Gone (Office will be open)
August 14-16	SD 4-H Rodeo Finals
August 21	Last Day to register State Fair Exhibits
August 22	SD 4-H State Dog Show, Mitchell
August 28	State Fair Exhibits DUE to 4-H Office
September 2-7	SD State Fair Sara Gone

(Labor Day)

September 7

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Advisor Comments...

Another successful Grant County Achievement Days has concluded. I praise all the 4-H youth who participated with exhibits on a job well done. I couldn't believe my eyes on Friday the caliber of projects entered. With this being my third Achievement Days, I have never seen the number of larger, well thought out projects. I

heard many comments from the public about the quality of livestock in the barns. It was great to see majority of the barns filled and the number of exhibitors exhibiting animals for the first time. This is a reminder for those who do not have the adequate facilities for animals, we have many wonderful people in our county that would be

willing to lease animals.

Before I end my comments, I want to give a hand shake, a high five, a bow and a hug to the many volunteers that took time off to assist on putting on a great Achievement Days. These days are not possible without you. I truly appreciate everything you

4-H Livestock Auction Checks

Youth who sold an animal on the 4-H Livestock Auction may start picking up their checks at First Bank and Trust.

The checks will not be

mailed and will need to be picked up by the youth.

A list of members who have shown their Thank You at the conclusion of the sale or at the office,

has been sent to the bank. If you have not shown your Thank You at the office, you must do before your name is released to receive your check.

Western Junior Livestock Show

The 78th Anniversary of Western Junior Livestock Show will be October 7-10 at the Pennington County Fairgrounds in Rapid City. The Western Junior Livestock Show

was organized in 1937 and has been an annual event since. The show was developed as a 4-H youth show to serve as a show window for the livestock industry from this area.

Western Junior Livestock entries are DUE August 25. Late entries are accepted Aug. 26 through Sept. 25 with additional fees. Go to http://bit.ly/ITgkta4 for entry form.



It is each families responsibility to adhere to deadlines. If the deadline date falls on a weekend date, you will have the next business day to turn in any materials. Do not miss any upcoming deadlines!



STATE FAIR REGISTRATION

Livestock and Static exhibit registration for State Fair will conclude August 21.

Entries must be completed on https://sd4hstatefair.fairentry.com. Livestock and Youth-in-Action events do have an entry fee.

Entry fees must be postmarked 21st to State 4-H Office (SAG109/2207E, SDSU, Brookings, SD 57007).

Families: South Dakota State Fair Preparation

PLEASE read your State Fair books carefully. You will notice at State Fair there are non-refundable entry fees for 4-H Livestock and Youth-in-Action events. The Grant County 4-H Leaders will pay up to \$15 per exhibitor for animal entries. Youth must submit a copy of their invoice to the county 4-H office to be reimbursed.

ANIMAL EXHIBITS

All livestock exhibitors are to pick up their show numbers at the 4-H Office. These numbers will be available at the office August 19 through September 1. After September 2, Sara will take them to State Fair and the family will be responsible in making arrangements with her to pick up.

STATIC EXHIBITS

All static exhibits going to the State Fair (except baked goods and horticulture) must be brought to the office by Friday, August 28.

Baked goods, eggs, and horticulture exhibits must be brought into the office on Wednesday, September 2 between 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. ONLY. Select new horticulture produce just prior to bringing them to the office. Be sure to water two days before picking.

For Horticulture, youth exhibiting any horticulture lots, may enter another specimen in that class or another vegetable class at the South Dakota State Fair. Youth must complete a new exhibit entry form when

substituting another vegetable and staple it to the original exhibit entry form that show the county purple ribbon placing.

Exhibits will be returned to the 4-H Office on Tuesday, September 8. Please allow us to sort and organize your projects by family and club. Pick up exhibits will be on September 9-11 outside the 4-H office. If you are the State Fair Monday, projects can be picked up at 4 PM in the National Guard Armory.

If you are going to State Fair on Thursday, September 3, it's FREE entry with 4-H Membership Card. Membership cards were given out last year. If you are new or do not have yours, please contact the office.

4-H Leaders provide Camp Fee Assistance

The SD 4-H Leader's Association will again assist with camp fees in 2014. There is a \$25 scholarship available for 4-H'ers who attend Camp Poinsett, Bob Marshall or North Central. There is a \$50 scholarship available for 4-H'ers who attend TLC or Performing Arts. Here is how the scholarship program works.

 Step I – Register for the 2014 camp and pay the full camp fees.

- Step 2 Attend camp and have a great time!!
- Step 3 Tell a group about camp. For the \$25 4-H Camp scholarship, tell one group. For the \$50 TLC or Performing Arts Camp scholarship tell two groups.
- Step 4 Complete the camp assistance/scholarship application form with all signatures and

submit to the SD 4-H Leaders. You will receive your scholarship money within 2 weeks of its receipt.

You will find the form on our website at

http://www.santel.net/~sd4hleaders/doc/App-CampFeeAssistance.pdf.

Applications are due by **December** 31, 2015.

End of 4-H Year Information

It has been a great 4-H year thus far! We had over 600 static exhibits and 145 livestock exhibits that youth entered at our Achievement Days.

As Achievement Days are over and SD State Fair is approaching, I want to encourage youth to start thinking about working on your 4-H Record.

The 4-H record book is a summary of the member's entire year. While a 4-Her may receive recognition during the year for participating in activities or with an exhibit at the fair, record books measures the growth and accomplishments the 4-Her has made through the entire year.

This process is not meant to be a headache. Therefore, I will be holding two 4-H record book work days during September.

Wednesday, September 23 at 4-6 PM

Friday, September 25 at 4-6 PM

Besides the 4-H Record Book, youth are to complete two other requirements for the 4-H year.

- I. Must attend four club meetings.
- 2. Must give a public presentation/demonstration at club or higher level.

These requirements are not to be stressful but are easy for families to complete. Therefore, with completion, youth will receive awards and monies during our annual Recognition Event in November.

A big part of our 4-H Recognition Event is recognizing our youth who apply for top awards and scholarships.

Please keep in mind these award applications:

- Grant County Top Horseman Award
- 4-H Leaders Scholarship
- 4-H Association Scholarship
- Citizenship Washington Focus delegate application
- County Award Application

- Kay Wolff Youth In Action Award
- Outstanding Beginner Award
- Schmig's Genetics Award
- Diane Frevert Memorial Award

Record Books and applications will be sent via email August 18. If you would like to start early on your Record Book, please contact Sara.

Lastly when the mass email is released on August 18, there will be a paper survey. This survey will address questions about our county 4-H program and how we can improve. There will also be questions regarding items relating to the South Dakota 4-H program. The survey is open to all youth and parents.

Consumer Decision Making Judging

Those who registered for Consumer Decision Making Judging at the South Dakota State Fair, we will be holding a practice session prior to State Fair.

We will be having practice judging classes, going over questions and what to say during oral reasons.

Practice session will be: Monday, August 17 at 10 AM at the Courthouse Community Room.

The practice session will last until I 1:30 a.m. If you are unable to make the session, please let Sara know that she can give you materials to review.

Mark your
Calendars:
All Record Books and
Applications Due
September 30 to 4H
Office, not your
Leader!

"Hard work beats talent when talent doesn't work hard."
- Tim Notke

Calendar of Events

(Dates are subject to change.)

August 14-16—State 4-H Rodeo, Ft. Pierre
August 22—State 4-H Dog Show, Mitchell
September 2-7—South Dakota State Fair, Huron
September 19—State 4-H Livestock Judging,
Brookings

September 24-27—AK-SAR-BEN, Omaha, NE

September 28—World Dairy Expo, Madison, WI

October 4-10—National 4-H Week

October 7-10—Western Junior Livestock Show,

Rapid City

November 8—Grant County 4-H Recognition

Event at 1:30 p.m.—Milbank High School Cafeteria

Announcements...

2016 County 4-HT-Shirt Design Contest

We are looking for a new t-shirt design for 2016 County 4-H T-shirts.

4-H members are encouraged to submit their designs by October 15 to the Grant County 4-H Office.

The winning design will be used on the shirts and are given to each active 4-H member. The youth who submits the winning design will be recognized at the 4-H Recognition Event.

If you would like to be a t-shirt sponsor, contact Sara at the office.

Upcoming Leaders Meeting

Grant County 4-H Leaders
Meeting is scheduled for
Monday, August 17th at 5:30 PM
at the Grant County
Community Room.

All leaders and volunteers are encouraged to attend as we will be discussing Grant County Achievement Days and plans for next year's 4-H year.

Any notes, suggestions or comments of this year's Grant County Achievement Days, please submit them to Sara by Monday, August 17 Noon.



Make Plans: Sewing Club

Our first Sewing Club is going to begin this fall. Volunteers Kristi, Katie and Kylee Mogen will be starting a sewing club. Our first meeting will be October 10 at the Courthouse Community Room. Participants are asked to sign up a week before the class and pay \$5 for each month to help cover supplies.

Each class is open to the first 10

youth. Alternative dates will be planned if there becomes a waiting list. Youth are asked to bring a sewing machine if able. More details in the September newsletter.

Sewing Schedule: October:

Bags (Sara will be attending the NAE4-HA National Conference in Portland. They will be delivered to the Children's Book Bank.)

November:

Pin Cushion and Coasters

December:

Christmas gifts and towels

January:

Purse

February:

Pillow Cases

March:

Pajama pants

Truck and Trailer Raffles

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Trailer Raffle

Grand Prize: 2015 Featherlite Stock Combo Trailer*

8413 7'x 24', Provided by Iverson Chrysler of Mitchell and Huron: Retail Value: \$26,700

First Prize: Half Beef

Provided by Huron Continental Marketing; Valued at \$1,250

Second Prize: Gas Grill

Provided by Runnings of Huron; Valued at \$400

Trailer Raffle Tickets: \$25 each; 3 for \$50

Truck Raffle

Grand Prize: 2015 Ram 1500

Crew Express Truck*

Provided by Iverson Chrysler of Huron and Mitchell; Retail Value: \$41,850

First Prize: Half Beef

Provided by Huron Continental Marketing; Valued at \$1,250

Second Prize: One-Year Movie Pass

Provided by Logan Luxury Theatres; Valued at \$510

Truck Raffle Tickets: \$50 each or 3 for \$100















All raffle proceeds benefit the SD State Fair Foundation's Capital Campaign for a New Exhibit Hall.

Drawings will be held Sunday, Sept. 6, 2015 at the 4-H Leaders Assn. Barbecue at the South Dakota State Fair, Huron.

Winner need not be present to win. Must be 18 to purchase. Winner becomes owner of prize.

Truck color is selected by winner. Raffle ticket purchases are not tax-deductible.

Visit www.iversonchrysler.com for rules and regulations, and to buy tickets online.

Visit www.sdstatefairfoundation.com to learn more about the new exhibit hall.

Tickets are available at the Grant County 4-H Office!

Build a Bird: South Dakota State Fair

The South Dakota State Fair is getting extra creative this year! Test your creative talents utilizing any construction method and materials (wood, metals, plastics, paper, etc.) to create a poultry or fowl exhibit. No live animals allowed.

Judged Categories include: Most Creative: 17 years old and under & 18 years and older

Most Lifelike: 17 years old and under & 18 years and older

Ist Place \$100 Prize will be awarded in each category; 2nd Place \$50.

This event is sponsored by SD Poultry Industries Association

Must register in advance.
Registration deadline is August
21. Exhibits must be dropped
off at State Fair Office by August
29 unless other arrangements
have been made.

Judging will take place Friday, Sept. 4. All exhibits must be on display Sept. 3 – Sept. 7 until 5 pm. Exhibitor is responsible for picking up exhibit after 5 pm on Sept. 7. Any exhibits not picked up will be property of the SD State Fair unless other arrangements have been made.

Submit your entries TODAY! http://www.sdstatefair.com/asset s/docs/uploads/build-a-birdcontest-registration-form.pdf.



Stay Connected with Grant County 4-H!

Find information at: SDSU Extension iGrow (www.igrow.org), Grant County South Dakota 4-H Facebook Page, or Grant County Website (www.grantcounty.sd.gov/countyoffices/extension)

Check out our Facebook Calendar for upcoming activities and events!

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